

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
—Alex. H. Washburn

Paragraph
Cotton
Chiang

News item reports New York City has half the elevator service of the entire United States. Contrary to popular opinion the Big Town is really on the up and up.

Arkansas' cotton acreage allotment for 1950 has been cut 21 per cent, which wasn't unexpected for the nation and the world are producing more cotton than can be sold at today's prices.

While Arkansas' reduction is one point more than the over-all cut for the nation we note with satisfaction that some of the Johnny-Come-Lately cotton states were reduced even more sharply.

California was cut 32 per cent, and Arizona 28 per cent. Both states have majored in cotton only recently — and both states have drawn heavily on the federal government for years to build irrigation projects — creating today's paradox of Western desert areas asking the government for irrigation money so they may grow more crops that the government will have to subsidize.

We are in the last hours of Chiang Kai-shek as a world figure.

Chungking having fallen to the Communists, Chiang moved his capital this week to Chengtu—his fourth seat of government. And now Chengtu is given only a couple of weeks before surrender.

We know now that there never was anything substantial under the edifice of government which Chiang represented before the world. What was America's alternative in dealing with China? The history of China's dealings with foreigners is a history of failure — with no alternative.

Sex Offenders to Be Given Speedy Trial

The alarming number of sex cases sweeping the nation and in many cities have brought demands for firmer laws, prompted the following statement today from Prosecuting Attorney James H. Pilkinton, outlining a planned procedure throughout the circuit:

"It is the policy of the Prosecuting Attorney in this circuit to insist on prompt trial of all defendants who reach court charged with sex offenses. If some such cases appear weak to us, they will be tried nevertheless, the final decision as to their strength or weakness, and the punishment, if any, to be imposed will be left to the jury and the court.

No case of this type will be nolle prossed by the State. What pleas against the charges are obtained, this office will not recommend probation or suspended sentences for any sex offender."

This statement is issued for the information of the public, and defense attorneys and for the guidance of my deputies.

Signed
JAMES H. PILKINTON
Prosecuting Attorney

Officials Deny College Insolvent

Little Rock, Dec. 3 —(UP)—A charge that Central college here is insolvent brought a denial today from college officials.

The allegation was made in a complaint filed in Federal court by the city of Conway and the Conway corporation. The action would enjoin the college from disposing of its land in Conway where the school formerly operated as a junior college for girls.

Vice President F. E. Goodbar of the college said the last audit in July showed assets totaling \$400,000 above liabilities.

The complaint also asked payment of \$45,000 to settle a 1949 claim.

It stated that the money was advanced to the college which used it to pay off unsecured claims against the land. The plaintiffs also contended that the college promised not to dispose of the land or to move the college from Conway. It asked for a receivership and termed the College "insolvent."

"We already have promised to make a satisfactory settlement of the \$45,000 claim before we dispose of the property," Goodbar said. "They are just afraid we are going to sell the property to someone to whom they don't want it sold."

Goodbar conferred with city officials at Conway yesterday after the suit was filed. He described the court action as "premature."

The college, now a two-year institution, disclaimed any intention this week that it wants to become a three-year college next year and a four-year school the following year.

Spring Hill PTA to Meet Monday

The Spring Hill P. T. A. will meet at the high school gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 5, for its regular meeting. Mrs. Lester Brown, fifth grade teacher, will have charge of the program. The main feature will be a playlet, "The Children Find Their Gifts" with the cast consisting of fifth grade pupils. Parents are invited.

WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Cloudy this afternoon. Cloudy, warmer with showers to night. Sunday showers. Cooler in northwest.

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Warns Russia Has Saboteurs Ready in U. S.

Washington, Dec. 3 — (UP)—The Library of Congress, in a study of defense plans, warned today that a "disciplined army" of saboteurs is ready to sabotage America in event of war with Russia.

A public affairs bulletin, published by the library's legislative reference service, cautioned against complacency based on the fact that atomic bomb scientists, Nazi agents here at the start of World War II were successfully thwarted.

"The number of the latter (Nazis) were small, their techniques crude, and their identification was compared with the disciplined army of communists, many of them American citizens, who may be expected to work against the nation in the event of war with a communist power," the library said.

S. Arthur Devan, a national defense analyst of the reference service, prepared the report, a 105-page analysis of the fundamental considerations on which this country's defense plans must be laid.

The report warned that there can be no complete security in a military sense and that the atomic bomb is not the "absolute weapon."

It said the guided missile is the weapon likely to cause revolutionary change in warfare. It hinted that this development may prove more costly than the atomic bomb.

"Atomic bombs, at the present time, are said to cost many millions of dollars each," the report said. "But an atomic bomb scientist, perhaps as familiar with that weapon as any one in the nation, recently found himself shocked by the cost of guided missiles, which probably will be the great weapon of the future."

"He said if we were to defend only the city of Washington with guided missiles, we might as well build a wall of gold around it."

The report said sending arms to our friends in Europe looks like a good investment that will save us money and maybe lives in the long run. But the moment, it said, "we have to prepare for the possibility of war, practically speaking, as if we must stand alone."

It said an attack on this country, if it comes, probably will be without warning as at Pearl Harbor, but that most qualified observers think, "The danger is not immediate."

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NOTRE DAME TEAM ARRIVES IN DALLAS — The Fighting Irish of Notre Dame arrived in Dallas, Texas, for their last game of the season against Southern Methodist University. Here, three All-American players have huddle outside their train coach. Left to right: Leon Hart, end; Emil Sitko, back, and Jim Martin, tackle. (NEA Photo)

Girl's Life Saved After Accident

Detroit, Dec. 3 — (AP)—Laura Cassell, 20, probably owed her life today to the steady nerves of a garage mechanic and a policeman — and surgeons' skill.

Laura's father, Jack Cassell, was driving her to her department store job yesterday.

At an intersection where police said the signal light had failed the Cassell car solidified with another.

Laura was flung sideways against the steering wheel.

The wheel splintered and Laura was impaled upon the gear-shift lever. It entered her chest through her left side.

Police and Laura's father dared not remove the lever.

But they called John Richer, mechanic at a nearby garage.

As Laura gritted her teeth, Richer sawed the lever from its mounting while Patrolman George Mortimer held the girl.

Then Laura, who is small and seems frail, was rushed to Harper hospital.

An hour-long operation followed. The broken gear-shift lever was removed after her chest was opened from her back.

Dr. William Tuttle, who operated, said Laura came through in "good" condition.

She ought to be up and around in a day or two, he added.

Her father suffered minor injuries. The other driver was unhurt.

Dr. Tuttle was high in praise of Laura's original rescuers.

"The credit for saving her," he said, "goes to the men at the scene who had sense enough not to pull the lever out of the girl's chest. That might have been fatal."

The president's office said those on the critical list were David M. Clark, Buckner, Ark. and John H. Sorenson, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The fire broke out about 2:30 a. m. and quickly spread through the two-story, wooden building.

A list of those in the building could not be obtained immediately because many students had gone home for the weekend.

The dormitory normally houses 400 men. The president's office said about 340 were in the building.

Origin of the fire is not known. It was believed to have started in the kitchen of the building, which has five wings.

Christian Women to Give Program

The Women's council of the First Christian church will conduct the evening service on Sunday evening, December 4, at 7:30. This is an annual occasion for all Christian churches all over the United States to observe the first Sunday in December as Woman's Day in the church.

A thirty minute film entitled "A Letter From China," a missionary picture, will be shown. Then entire evening offering will be sent to the national office.

The following program has been arranged:

Prelude: Luther Holloman.
Hymn No. 535 "Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds."
Evening Prayer — Mrs. George Dodds.

Significance of Woman's Day — Mrs. George Wright.
Devotional — Mrs. Ted Jones.
Film — "A Letter From China."

Evening offering.
Invocation Hymn No. 371 — "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."
Benediction.

Postlude — Organist.
Mrs. Oliver Adams is the president of the local council.

To Make Plans for USO Drive in Hempstead

Rae Luck, district USO chairman, today announced a meeting of campaign workers for 10 a. m. Tuesday, December 6, at Hope City Hall. Purpose of the session is to form plans for a campaign to raise the Hempstead quota which is set at \$1,065.

District Treasurer is Sid Math and County Chairman is Mrs. Lloyd Spencer.

Ward 1: Mrs. M. M. McCloughan and Mrs. B. D. Booth.
Ward 2: Mrs. Thompson Evans, Jr. Ward 3: Mrs. Tom Purvis and Ward 4: Mrs. C. P. Tolleson.

Business Director: Frank McLaury, Ben Owen, John Wilson Jr. and Charley Wiley.

Seems Happy to Be Operating an Organization That Is Losing Money Regularly

By HAL BOYLE
New York —(AP)—Jea Tenyson, runs one of the world's biggest entertainment bureaus and is quite happy because it is losing money.

Some 300 top singers and musicians work for nothing on the programs, arranged to entertain disabled ex-servicemen in 30 vet-erans hospitals across the country.

Her list of artists include Lily Pons, Margaret Truman, Ezio Pinza, Arthur Rubinstein, and Gladys Swarthout.

"We started out with strictly long-haired performers," she said. "But now we have Benny Goodman, chorale groups — even a magician."

Like many a n o t h e r American woman at war's end, Miss Tenyson, an ex-vaudeville star and entertainer, was grateful to the men who had fought. She wanted to do something to show her gratitude — but what?

"I was told that musical therapy was helpful to the 1,000,000 veterans in hospital," she recalled, "so I decided that was the field I could help in best."

With symphony conductor Leo S. Towles and a few other friends she organized the artists' veterans hospital programs in 1947. By the end of this season this organization will have arranged for more than 350 concerts in some 90 veterans hospitals.

"Eventually we hope to reach all the hospitals, particularly those in out-of-the-way places," she said. Miss Tenyson, helped only by a secretary, schedules the concerts herself and pays all expenses of the operation. Whenever the seasons tour of one of the artists on her list brings him near a veterans' hospital, she arranges in

Headon Collision Leaves 11 Persons Injured

Dermott, Dec. 3 — (P)—Two automobiles collided head-on at a highway intersection here yesterday. Eleven persons were injured, two critically.

Most seriously hurt were Sue Dunahoe, 17, of Winchester, Ark., who suffered a brain injury, and Mrs. Harold Elm of Baldwin, Kas., who suffered severe injuries.

City Marshal Burl Davis said the accident occurred when an automobile attempted to pass a truck and hit another car.

Forest Fires Raging Along Coastal Region

By The Associated Press

Vast patches of scorched earth scarred the Gulf coastal region Saturday as firefighters scanned the skies for rain that would snuff hundreds of forest fires.

Scrub thickets and lush timberlands were in the paths of blazes in Mississippi and Alabama, where in some areas wild game fled for safety and householders labored to keep the fire from their doors.

In Mississippi, the state forestry commission reported more than 167 blazes in the state's 46 protected counties. In the rich delta the situation was reported out of hand, with fires "too numerous to count."

State Forester Albert Leggett estimated almost 90,000 acres had been blackened in the protected counties and more than 1,000,000 acres in the 36 unprotected counties. The protected counties levy a two-cent-per-acre tax on woodlands to finance fire control.

The biggest single conflagration reported in Mississippi was in Kemper county, where 1,200 acres of woodland was blazing.

At Birmingham, District Forester J. H. Watson said the situation in Alabama was "drastic." Watson, who toured the Birmingham area in a helicopter said some 8000 acres were aflame in Jefferson county (Birmingham) alone. Two houses and a tool shed were lapped up.

On the Alabama and Louisiana coasts yesterday, the smoke and fog whipped up a smog that in some areas halted highway and air traffic.

In Baton Rouge, La., officials appealed to railroads, farmers, and motorists to help minimize forest-fire hazards during the dry spell.

Chicago Hotel Robbed of \$22,000

Chicago, Dec. 3 —(P)—Two bold robbers who apparently were familiar with its internal operations late yesterday robbed a sprawling seven-story hotel of \$22,000 in cash and checks.

They escaped after slugging the general cashier H. W. Kipper, 47.

The robbery occurred as Kipper stepped from a service elevator at the fourth floor, where the hotel's offices are located. To any but hotel personnel, and Kipper was following his daily routine of collecting from the lobby cages and going back to his office.

Audrey Lingard, hotel advertising director, said \$15,000 was in checks and that probably \$7,000 was in cash. Receipts had been swelled by room payments of 4-H club members whose national convention has just ended in Chicago.

The hotel is the world's largest.



FASTER THAN SPEED OF SOUND — At top is the Douglas Skyrocket transonic research plane, which, piloted by pilot Gene May, 45, below, flashed across Muroc Dry Lake, Calif., at a speed greater than the speed of sound. May flew the tiny plane at barely 50 feet off the ground while using the 10 second burst of rocket power. (NEA Photos)

Sicilian Town Endangered by Mt. Etna

Catania, Sicily, Dec. 3 — (P)—Fiery lava from erupting Mt. Etna today threatened the little Sicilian town of Maletto but an official source at noon (6 a.m. EST) said the burning flow had "slowed down" considerably several kilometers from the town of 3,600 inhabitants.

The police chief at Catania, who reported on this most advanced of several flows from Mt. Etna, said the pressure of the eruption appeared to have decreased because new craters were acting as "safety valves."

He estimated the "put-up" lava now was flowing from at least ten openings in the mountain's side.

At dawn, exactly 24 hours after Etna began its new eruptions, monstrous flames shot toward the sky from the main crater. A four-second earthquake jolted the area with a terrifying roar, witnesses reported.

The flow advancing on Maletto appeared no longer to threaten Bronte, a town of 18,000 southwest of Maletto. The lava stream came from one of three new craters which Europe's highest volcano pushed open yesterday.

One witness said the lava had reached a point twelve and one-half miles from the town of Maletto, destroying outlying farm houses.

The flow during the night reached a point twelve and one-half miles from Bronte, then deviated toward Maletto. The flow has been slowed by destruction among rich fruit orchards as it advanced down the slope of the mountain.

The most advanced stream bypassed the villages of Chiavazza and Giardinazzo in the Bronte area. Some farmhouses, which had been razed, were seen. Witnesses said fiery blasts of air moving ahead of the lava started forest fires.

No casualties had been reported yet.

At dawn the 10,753-foot peak was hidden by a huge cloud of steam, smoke and vapor.

Search Continues for Man Who Killed Wife and Daughter

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 3 — (UP)—Dead 50-year-old W. F. Bean was still at large today, but officers hoped to catch him alive to stand trial for the deaths of his wife and daughter.

Bean, an automobile mechanic, said "I'm going to kill myself too" as he stood over the bodies in the bedroom of his small home here.

Then he disappeared on foot, with the 22-caliber rifle he had used to cut down Mrs. Fannie Bean, 35, and Doris Jean Bean, 11.

Police and highway patrols in Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas were alerted and the sheriff warned that "he's a killer to be approached with extreme caution."

No sign of him — dead or alive — was seen during the first 24 hours of the intense search. There were reports that he had been seen on both sides of the Mississippi river, but they were not verified.

Hospital authorities said meanwhile that Donald Ray Bean, 11, wounded in the stomach in the shooting, would recover and be discharged in about ten days. He may join his sisters, Bonnie Fay, his twin, and Thelma, seven, under care of Bean's daughter by a previous marriage.

The daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Hudson, said that Bean had deserted his first wife in 1936 when their seventh child was only two weeks old.

The surviving girls witnessed the slaughter and ran to tell a neighbor, Mrs. Mary Rice, about it. She reached the house in time to see Bean and hear him brag that "he takes a man with guts to do something like that. And I am going to kill myself too."

Scout Drive to Start With a Breakfast

With the Larger Gifts Committee of volunteer workers now working in the annual Scout finance drive for the Hempstead District, Chairman Royce Weisenberger announced that the drive generally will get under way with the annual drive breakfast at the Hotel Barlow at 7 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 6.

Team captains accepting responsibility to date for 25 cards are: Milton Dilard, Ray McDowell, Donald Moore, Chas. Wylie, Frank Horton, Y. C. Coleman, R. L. Branch, Jim Cole, Rufus Herndon, Jr., and John Keck. Clyde Zinn is the captain for the City Hall and Light Plant and Ed Kerrman for the Highway Department. W. W. Andrews is captain for the first Natl. Bank Bldg.

The officials of the Hempstead Scout council point out that all workers are volunteer solicitors and are quite busy at this season of the year in their own business. Persons who regularly invest in Scouting are asked to make arrangements for their investment to cause the solicitors the least possible inconvenience. Those who have not invested regularly in the past are asked to seriously consider the wisdom of this investment in young people and to mail to Roy Anderson, treasurer, Royce Weisenberger, Finance Chairman, Clifford Franks, County chairman, their check.

Kiwanians Again Lick Lions 31-6

Last night at the high school stadium a small crowd braved the cold to see a bang-up football game between the Kiwanis club team again licked the Lions team 31 to 6.

As expected the game was a bruising affair that furnished the fans all the action they could want. It was the fine all-around play of the Kiwanis team that furnished the Kiwanians with the punch that scored touchdowns. Taylor's passing to Buddy Porter kept the Lions in a hole much of the time.

Both lines were big and rough and stingy with gains. Perhaps the outstanding line play was turned in by Woody Parsons, Garrett, McCullough, Phillips, Royston, Stephens, Snyder and Arnold. Bill Fleming, Dean Parsons and Jim City were best in the Lions backfield.

The contest was a benefit affair which probably didn't pay off as well as last year. However, advance ticket sales haven't been completely checked and the small crowd on hand last night doesn't represent the cash the contest raised for the Youth Center and the Street Marker drive.

Hot Springs Man Dies in Accident

Malvern, Dec. 3 —(P)—A train automobile collision yesterday brought death to one Hot Springs man and serious injury to another.

John A. Jamison, 40, a salesman, was hurt fatally and Forest J. Smith, 59, lumberman, was sent to a Malvern hospital. Both were occupants of the automobile.

The crash occurred at a crossing at Thiel (Grant county).

It brought the state's known violent death toll for the week to 14, cashing lent death toll for the week to 14.

Norrell Home

Little Rock, Dec. 3 —(P)—Rep. Norrell of Arkansas said that Bean today—fresh from Japan. He arrived at Okinawa yesterday on his way home.

Reds Near Last Nationalist Stronghold

Chengtu, China, Dec. 3 — (P)—Chinese nationalist leaders watched the inevitable Red shadow spread into their last major mainland haven of Western China today.

The nationalists tried to get their government going again in this hopelessly overcrowded new refuge capital. But the communists may not let them stay here very long.

The Reds, plunging deep into Western China, cut the highway between Chengtu and Kunming, 300 miles to the South. This official report followed information that the communists also had cut the Reds Wednesday.

The government acknowledged the Reds had pushed into Suung, 180 miles south of Chengtu and on one of the three highways linking Chengtu with Kunming.

Speculation continued on relations between Acting President Li Tsung-jen, in Hong Kong, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Chiang, who "retired" in Lih for last January, has taken over command of defense operations. He is expected to resume the presidency.

(Li, who refused Chiang's bid to go to Chengtu, will leave by plane Monday for the United States. It was announced in Hong Kong. He has been in a hospital in the British crown colony for treatment of a stomach ailment. Aides have said only that he had "private reasons" for his trip to Washington.)

It was not known yet whether Li had signed a suggested statement saying he was going to the United States in a private capacity and recommending that Chiang become president.

He has split over conduct of the Civil war.

Chiang, meanwhile, assumed a virtual charge of nationalist civil aviation. No one may leave Chengtu by air without his personal okay.

Thousands of refugees poured into Chengtu, including many who fled by highway from Chungking. This city of 750,000 population is being crowded to the limit.

Many government employees are sleeping on the floor, sometimes ten or more in one room.

Other refugees are living in trucks. Some are camping out.

Employment Situation Looks Better

Washington, Dec. 3 —(P)—Ewan Clague, commissioner of labor statistics, said today that the nation's employment situation looks better to him than at any time in the past year.

Clague said in an address prepared for the American Welfare association: "The general picture seems to be one of a gradual strengthening of employment in most manufacturing industry."

But when the employment picture looks good, he said, unemployment may go up too. He said this is normal right after Christmas.

Clague said one thing that may boost unemployment next year is that a 1,000,000 more persons will enter the labor force. He said there always are about 750,000 new workers every year, but in 1950 an additional quarter of a million veterans will finish training courses and start looking for jobs.

Three Negroes Injured in Altercation

Three local negroes suffered knife wounds following an altercation about midnight last night at Calvin's place on North Hazel Street.

Two negroes, Carl Turner and Curtis Thom got into a fight and were slashing each other with knives when a third, Danie Lewis tried to separate them. All three suffered some pretty serious cuts, City Police said.

Paul W. Klipsch Is Speaker at Rotary Luncheon

Hope Rotary club was addressed Friday noon by Paul W. Klipsch on the subject "Markets, Trends and Supports."

Club members and guests entered into the discussion. In conclusion Mr. Klipsch said he was disappointed because no one asked: "If you know so much about the market why ain't you right?"

DAILY DAWDLE SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

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Stocks are getting lower now. Gifts? You have to chase 'em. Merchants simply haven't the time to go out and replace 'em.

Social and Personal

Phone 1268 or 1269 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Social Calendar

Sunday, December 18
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Blake of Minden, La. formerly of Hope, will hold "Open House" on the afternoon of December 18, celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and take this means of inviting their friends to attend the celebration.

Monday, December 5
There will be a meeting of the Executive Board of the women of the First Presbyterian church at 2:30 p.m. Monday.
The Sunday school council of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the home of Mrs. Mary Foster, at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church will meet at 2:30 p.m. Monday. There will be a short business session which will be followed by the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions).

The Sunbeams, Junior R. A.'s, and the Junior G. A.'s will meet at the First Baptist church at 4 p.m. for the regular meeting.

The Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church will meet at 8:15 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist church.

Circle No. 1 of W. S. C. S. will have a luncheon with Christmas program in the home of Mrs. Lloyd Spencer at 1 o'clock. Program: "The Power of the Word." Mrs. E. L. Branch, leader of the program.

Circle No. 2 will have a luncheon with Christmas program in the home of Mrs. E. O. Kyles at 12:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 3 will have a luncheon with Christmas program in the home of Mrs. E. P. Young at 12:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 4 will have a program and Christmas party in the home of Mrs. W. J. Webb at 3 p.m. with Mrs. Chas. Taylor and Mrs. Guy Card co-hostesses. Mrs. Sam Warrick, leader of the Christmas program.

Circle No. 5 and the Wesleyan Service Guild have a joint dinner and Christmas program at the Baylow Hotel on Monday evening, Dec. 5, at 7 o'clock.

The Board of Stewards will meet at the First Methodist church on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The Prudence Riffey, Circle of the First Baptist church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. W. Andrews Monday, December 5.

Circle No. 2 of the Women's council of the First Christian church will meet at the home of Mrs. B. L. Pettig, leader of the program at 2:30 p.m. Monday.

Circle 1, of the Women's Council of the First Christian church will meet in the home of Mrs. Fonzie Moser with Mrs. J. D. Camp, leader of the program.

There will be the regular monthly meeting of the Official Board of the First Christian church in Fellowship Hall at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Tuesday, December 6
The choir of the First Presbyterian church will practice at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

There will be a meeting of committee on fellowship and recreation, with Fred Ellis, chairman, in the First Presbyterian church in the Philathea room at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

The W. M. S. Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas offering will be observed at a meeting at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist church.

The V. F. W. Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, December 6 at 8 p.m. at the VFW Hut. At this time, there will be initiation of new members and all women eligible to belong to the Auxiliary are requested to come to this meeting. All members are urged to be present.

Wednesday, December 7
The Board of Education will meet in the First Methodist church office on Wednesday evening, December 7 at seven o'clock.

The Fellowship Hour will be held at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist church. This is the midweek worship for the whole family.

The First Presbyterian church will have a congregational meeting to hear reports from the planning committees for the new church. This meeting will be held from 7:15 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Thursday, December 8
There will be a meeting of the men of the First Presbyterian church Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Supper will be served at that time and all men of the church are urged to be present.

The First Christian church choir will have rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

This is visitation day for the members of the First Baptist church. The W. M. S. will meet at the church at 2:30 p.m. Thursday to continue the Foreign mission study.

The Adult choir of the First Baptist church will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Friday, December 9
The W. M. S. will observe their season of prayer for foreign missions at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the church. This will be the last meeting of the week and all members are urged to attend.

The Power Class Christmas banquet will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist church.

Girl Scouts meet at Garland school at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, at the Garland school. The meeting was presided over by

he leader, Mrs. Earl Lee Archer. Mrs. Archer told the members who the tenderfoots were. At the next meeting the scouts will receive their numerals, their tenderfoot pins, and crests.
A social hour was enjoyed by all.

Rose Garden Club is Entertained in Fulton

Mrs. Herbert Cox was hostess to members of the Rose Garden club at her home in Fulton at 3 p.m. Friday. Co-hostess was Mrs. J. C. Orton.

The Cox home was beautifully decorated in keeping with the Yule season. A brilliantly lighted tree, potted plants, and silver and green decorations decorated the living room. The mantel held a lovely arrangement of silver and green Nandina berries, leaves, and silver pine cones. A similar arrangement was used on the piano.

The roll call was answered with a Christmas quotation. During the business session, reports from those who attended the Regional Convention of Garden clubs in Texarkana were given. Mrs. Dorsey McRae, Sr. chairman of the Spring Flower Show presented the committee's plans for the show.

Mrs. W. M. Blake, a new member, was unable to be present due to illness.

An interesting Christmas program was given. Mrs. Steve Cook told a Christmas story entitled "The Littlest Angel" by Charles Tazewell. Mrs. J. C. Carlton, at the piano, played many Christmas carols. Mrs. John S. Gibson, Jr. then directed many guests.

Following the program, the guests were invited into the dining room where the beautifully decorated dining table, was covered with a lace cloth. The gold and green decorations, gilded nandina berries and leaves, and gold chrysanthemums flanked by gold lighted tapers were used on the table. Mrs. J. C. Carlton played the coffee and Mrs. E. O. Kyles served the fruit cake topped with whipped cream. Salted nuts and mints were also served to the seventeen members present.

Personal Mention

Friends of Mrs. H. P. Robertson, Sr. will regret to know that she is a patient in the Pine Street hospital in Texarkana.

Mrs. G. B. Morris has returned from Sheffield, Ala., after spending Thanksgiving with her daughter Mrs. Malcolm Pressley and Mr. Pressley.

Mrs. Johnny Phillips of Longview, Tex. is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Honea and Mr. Honea.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson left Saturday morning for Dallas to spend the week-end with their daughter, Mary and to attend the Notre-Dame SMU football game.

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MULE-TRAIN DRIVER WEDS "LITTLE PRAIRIE FLOWER"—Charlie Ward, 82, a mule-train driver of the West, kisses his bride, Mrs. Catherine Ginter, 65, following their marriage ceremony in Pittsburgh, Pa., as Dr. Ted V. Vorhees, who officiated, looks on. The bridegroom holds Jimmy Walukis, one of the bride's eight great-grandchildren who attended the ceremony. Said Ward of Mrs. Ginter, "She's my little prairie flower and I'm taking her home to my ranch in Wisconsin."

Mrs. Veep to Make Political Debut

New York, Dec. 2—(UP)—Mrs. Alben Barkley will make her first official appearance tonight as the second lady of the land, and she doesn't have a bit of state fright.

The radiant blue-eyed woman, who laughingly admitted to having made one traditional bridal boner already, said in an interview that her only lesson in political protocol was her husband's example and three words of his advice.

"He says at all times if you don't know what to do, just be natural," Mrs. Barkley said. "That's what he does. And I think he's done just fine."

The lady from St. Louis will make her political debut at the democratic national committee's \$100-a-plate dinner, at which Barkley is expected to be the principal speaker. She'll be meeting the cabinet members and governors and party officials in a black satin and lace dinner dress and a pair of black satin pumps which she, acting naturally, carried unwrapped to a fifth avenue shop yesterday.

The rest of her first New York shopping trip in five years—while her bridegroom napped in their Waldorf suite—was buying lace and remodeling the bridal boner.

That, she said, she discovered when she unpacked yesterday morning. All she found in her lingerie case were nightgowns.

"I didn't pack a single slip. Drawers full of beautiful new ones, and I completely forgot them. The only one I have is the one I have on."

The Barkleys arrived yesterday from Sea Island, Ga., where they have spent the greater part of their honeymoon. Mrs. Barkley, clad in a strapless black gown, appeared at a performance at the Metropolitan opera last night, while the "veep" went to a stag dinner given by the Thoroughbred racing association.

When the vice president joined his host in her opera box during the act, persons seated in the four tiers of seats above him over the railings to get a better look. The audience applauded the couple enthusiastically when they dashed into the box and sat down. Mrs. Barkley's dressmaker room for a chat during intermission.

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Judge Plays All Woman Jury for Freeing Slayer

Philadelphia, Dec. 2—(AP)—An all-woman jury last night acquitted a Philadelphia man of a murder charge then burst into tears as the judge criticized them for what he called "a miscarriage of justice."

One of the women fainting under Judge Joseph Sloane's tongue lashing and was carried from the jury box.

The acquitted man was a 31-year-old bartender, James Comer, who was accused of kicking and beating to death prominent clubman Hubert E. Madden last March after a night-long drinking bout. Witnesses testified they saw Comer kick him.

In his charge to the jury, the judge said that "personally, I do not see how you can find a verdict of not guilty."

Defense Attorney John Walsh had emphasized that Comer was drunk the night of the clubman's death. Judge Sloane told the jury women drunkenness could be no excuse.

After hearing their verdict, the judge said to the jurors: "Ladies of the jury, I tremble at what you did—at this miscarriage of justice. This case is important in itself, but more than that, one of the great bulwarks of our country is the jury system. Every little blot on that system, will gather into a great darkness."

Sapulpa, Okla., Dec. 2—(AP)—A rapidly spreading fire destroyed a quarter of a block of business buildings early today, among them the four-story ornate hotel, causing an estimated \$1,000,000 loss.

There were no known deaths among the 53 persons registered at the hotel, and only one man was injured.

Fire Chief Cliff Collier said some guests might have been trapped in the top floors.

A night clerk spread the alarm by telephone to some rooms, sent a bell boy knocking at other doors. The guests, hastily-dressed or in night clothes, fled from the smoking structure through exits and others over rooftops. Some jumped.

The clerk, J. C. Naphy, said the guest register was lost in the flames. Firemen said only a thorough search of the ruins would determine if anyone perished.

Debris was still burning this morning. The prospect was it would be several hours before the ruins would cool enough to be searched.

Firemen from Bristow, 24 miles to the west, and from Tulsa and Sand Springs, 16 miles northeast, helped the local department all night in fighting the flames.

Persons on the scene early said the fire apparently started in a coffee shop adjoining the hotel, then jumped quickly to adjacent buildings.

Airlines to Be Permitted a Year Trial Run
Washington, Dec. 2—(AP)—The civil aeronautics board today permitted two of the nation's largest airlines to begin Transcontinental Air Coach service Dec. 27 for a one-year trial.

Permission was granted American Airlines to use 70-passenger DC-4s on that date and to Trans World Airline to use 60-passenger DC-4s with a New York-Los Angeles fare of \$100 one-way.

The regular fare is \$157.85. Federal tax of 15 per cent is additional in both cases.

The board said it will permit American to replace the DC-4s with the larger and faster DC-6 also having 70 seats in April.

This marks the first authorization for direct competition between the scheduled airlines and the non-scheduled or irregular carriers which have been providing air coach service in DC-3 and DC-4 plane seat fares of \$100 or less for more than two years.

Air coach service differs from regular airline travel in savings made by elimination of meals in flight, reservations and other so-called luxury services for passengers.

News of the Churches

FIRST BAPTIST
Third and Main Streets
S. A. Whitlow, Pastor

J. E. Birkhead, music-education. 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. H. E. Thrash, superintendent. 10:30 a.m. Morning worship with sermon by the pastor.

5:30 p.m. Youth choir rehearsal. 6:30 p.m. Baptist Training Union. 7:30 p.m. Evening worship with message by the pastor.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
East Second Street
Stephen Cook, Pastor

10 a.m. Sunday school. James H. Miller, supt. 10:30 a.m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor.

5 p.m. Vesper worship. A religious film "What Can I Do?" will be shown at this service.

6:15 p.m. P. Y. P. Supper will be served to the young people. Steve Cook and Mrs. Earl Powell, Jr. are hostesses.

GARRETT MEMORIAL
North Ferguson Street
Elbert O'Steen, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Rock of Ages broadcast. 10 a.m. Sunday school. 11 o'clock Evening worship. 6:30 p.m. Baptist Training course. 7:30 Evening worship.

Monday: 2 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary will meet in the home of Mrs. J. L. Cook. Mrs. Gladys Roberts co-hostess.

Tuesday: 7:15 p.m. Mission prayer service in recreation hall at Experiment Station.

Wednesday: 7 p.m. Teachers' meeting. J. P. Brown in charge; 7:30 p.m. Bible study from last chapter of John.

FIRST METHODIST
West 2nd at Pine
Rev. J. M. Hamilton, Pastor

9:45 a.m. Church school. 10:30 a.m. Morning worship. Anthem: "Glory to God in the Highest." Soloist: Mrs. James A. McElarty, Jr.

The morning service will be broadcast over KXAR. 6 p.m. Wesley club. Young people's group will meet at church. 7 p.m. Evening worship. Group singing will be led by Elmer E. Brown. Sermon: "Enthusiasm," by pastor.

FIRST PETECOSTAL
Fourth and Ferguson
Rev. T. F. Ford, Pastor

9:45 a.m. Sunday school. 11 o'clock Morning worship. 6:45 p.m. Young peoples service. 7:45 p.m. Evangelistic service. 7:45 p.m. Prayer service.

There will be a business meeting at the church Sunday morning after church. Everyone is urged to attend.

HOPE GOSPEL TABERNACLE
21 N. Main Street
H. Paul Holdridge, Pastor

A hearty welcome awaits all the members and friends of the Tabernacle at the Sunday services. Sunday, December 4 will be "World Missions Day," Communion Day, and new members will be received into the fellowship.

9:45 a.m. Sunday school. 10 to 10:30 a.m. The Radio Bible class (KXAR).

11 o'clock Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. 1:13 p.m. The Gospel Hour (KXAR).

4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal. Rev. S. Joseph Geno, Director. 6:15 p.m. Christ's Ambassador services. Mrs. Geno, president.

7:30 p.m. Evangelistic service. Rev. E. Duell Turner, State Sunday school superintendent will speak.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Prayer and Bible study. Friday, 7:30 p.m. Prayer service. Saturday, 7 p.m. Sardis Community services.

UNITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST
South Elm Street
Eld. Howard White, Pastor

8:25-8:35 Unity's Gospel Hour. KXAR. 10 a.m. Sunday school. Earl H. Little, supt. 11 o'clock Morning worship. Sermon by pastor.

6:30 p.m. B. T. C. 7:30 Evening worship. Sermon by pastor.

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DOROTHY DIX

Best Years

A correspondent asks: What is the best period of a woman's life? That naturally depends upon circumstances and upon the temperament and character of a woman. Sometimes Fate showers all of its blessings on the early part of a woman's life. Sometimes it waits until she is old before handing her her quota of sugar plums. Sometimes a young girl quaffs down the cup of joy in a single draft, and often and often a woman never knows happiness until years of experience and suffering have given her a philosophy of life to live by, and taught her how to make the best of things.

It is generally believed that girlhood is the happiest time of a woman's life. It is presupposed that every girl is beautiful and carefree, and that life for her is a merry-go-round filled with parties and pretty frocks and good times.

Some are lucky. Of course there is an occasional maiden whose Fairy Godmother does dump all of the good gifts into her cradle. But alas, the great majority of girls have no Fairy Godmother, or else the stingy old jade holds out no richer rewards upon them than a rich father nor naturally wavy hair nor does she endow them with any allure for men.

So to a vast number of women girlhood is not a time of joy and song and dancing feet. It is a period of frustrated hopes and bitter mortifications and anxiety and anxious striving and work and worry.

There are girls who sit at home with their parents night after night, eating their hearts out in bitter despair because they manage to have date and lack that intangible something that makes boys single them out for attention. And almost every girl goes to a party with her

heart fainting within her and her feet turned to ice, wondering if she will be cut in upon, or if her partner will be stuck and have to drag her around the entire evening. I would not say that girlhood is the happiest time of the average woman's life, and assuredly age, to the other extreme, is not, although to many women, it is a time of great placid enjoyment. But this is a negative happiness in which one has no disappointments because one has no hopes; in which one is calm and peaceful because one is so near the end of everything that nothing matters.

So far as it can be settled chronologically, I should say that the happiest time of life to most women is the period between 30 and 42 or 43. The unhappy period between 43 and 50. And the second happiest period from 50 odd to 70.

Has Found Herself
By the time a woman is 30 she has usually found herself. She is either married or else she has established herself in some business or profession and she is at peace with herself and the world. Her hands are full of work. Her mind is occupied with a thousand interesting plans. She is on her tiptoes, alert enough to do all the interesting and exciting things she wants to do.

If she has children, she has the joy of having little arms around her neck and the never-ending happiness of knowing that she is necessary to them, and there is no one in the world that they love as she does. Mother. Her husband is still a sweetheart and too hard worked getting established in his business and supporting a growing family to have time or inclination to philander. These busy, bustling, hard-worked years are happy years to most women.

Then come the stormy 40's in which the children have grown up and left the home nest, and when Mother's house and hands are empty. The age of indolence when she begins to think that her life is too old for him.

There is no bitterer period of life for a woman than that in which she has to watch her weight with one eye and her husband with the other, and try to keep a man who has gone suddenly cuckoo from committing a folly that will wreck their whole life.

But after 55 a woman passes into a period of peace that passes all understanding. She is still young enough and strong enough to do anything she likes for enjoyment, to travel and reading and play that she never had before. Men are no longer a disturbing factor in her life, and her husband couldn't lose her if he wanted to. She has lost him so long ago that she has almost forgotten about it. Hers is the sunshine that turns the twilight into glory.

But what is the best period of a woman's life only the woman herself knows.

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Boy Accidentally Killed When Gun Discharges

Clinton, Dec. 1—(AP)—A 15-year-old boy was killed by a shotgun charge fired by his younger half-brother near here today.

Donald Gresham, student at the Clinton Vocational Agricultural school, was killed instantly by the charge which struck him in the stomach.

His mother, Mrs. R. B. Harris, who was away from home at the time, said the gun was fired by Brian Harris, 12, as two younger children were playing before leaving for school and that Brian grabbed the gun, which he thought was unloaded, and pulled the trigger.

Authorities said no inquest will be held.

service. Anthony's Mill. "I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord." Psm. 122:1.

FIRST CHRISTIAN
North Main at Avenue B
Wm. P. H. degree, Minister

9:45 a.m. Sunday school. We have classes for all ages. 10:30 Morning worship, communion, and sermon. Music will be by the choir. The special speaker will be Russell P. Harrison of Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Harrison is the National Director of Youth Work, and his message will be particularly interesting to the young people of the church.

6 p.m. Junior CYF will meet for a social hour and refreshments. 6:30 p.m. Group meetings and lesson for the Junior and Senior CYF.

7:30 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal. 7:30 The Evening service will be conducted by the women of the church in observance of Woman's Day. A sound film entitled "Letter From China" will be shown. It is hoped that everyone will plan to attend this service.

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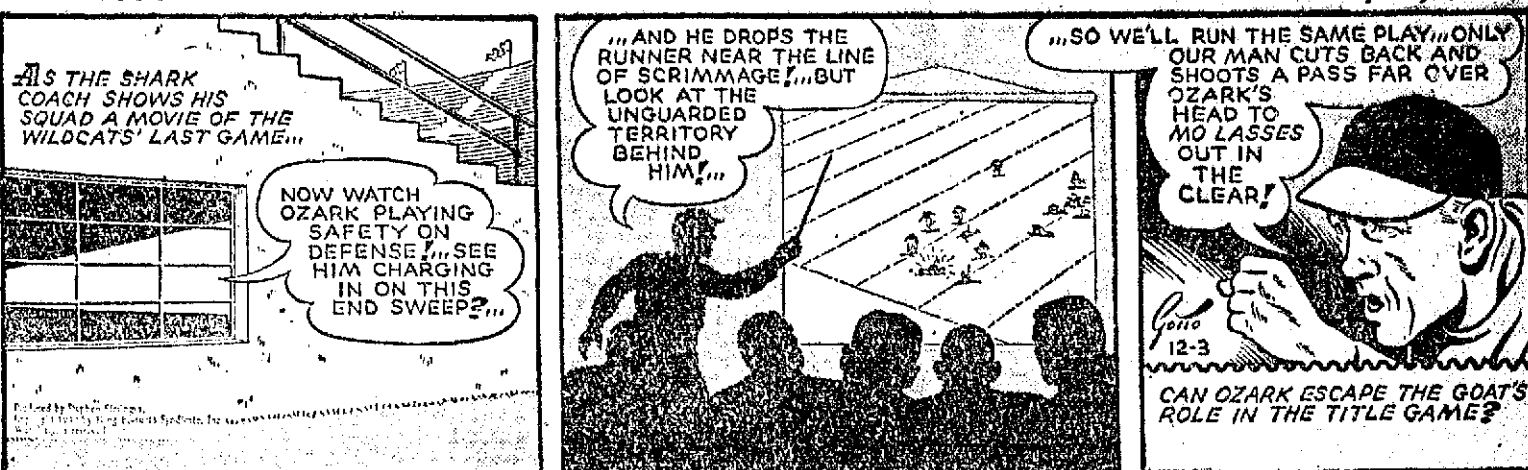
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By Ray Goffe



By Dick Turner



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By Blosser



Thimble Theater

With Major Hoople



WE INTERCEPTED A SMOKE SIGNAL THAT YOU PEDDLED YOUR STATUARY! WHO BOUGHT IT? I'D LIKE TO SELL THE SUCKER A SASSAFRAS TEA FORMULA FOR CURING HICCUPS!

IF YOU'RE CROUCHING BEHIND A STACK OF BLUE CHIPS, COME WITH ME TO THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE! REMEMBER THAT LAST "QUICK, BUSTER!" FINE BUCKS YOU BIT ME FOR?

OH! HEH-HEH! I MEANT TO TELL YOU YAS! A FAMOUS COLLECTOR PURCHASED MY SCULPTURE - IT'S TO STAND IN THE LOUVRE!

IN THE LOUVRE? SAY, THAT'S WONDERFUL!

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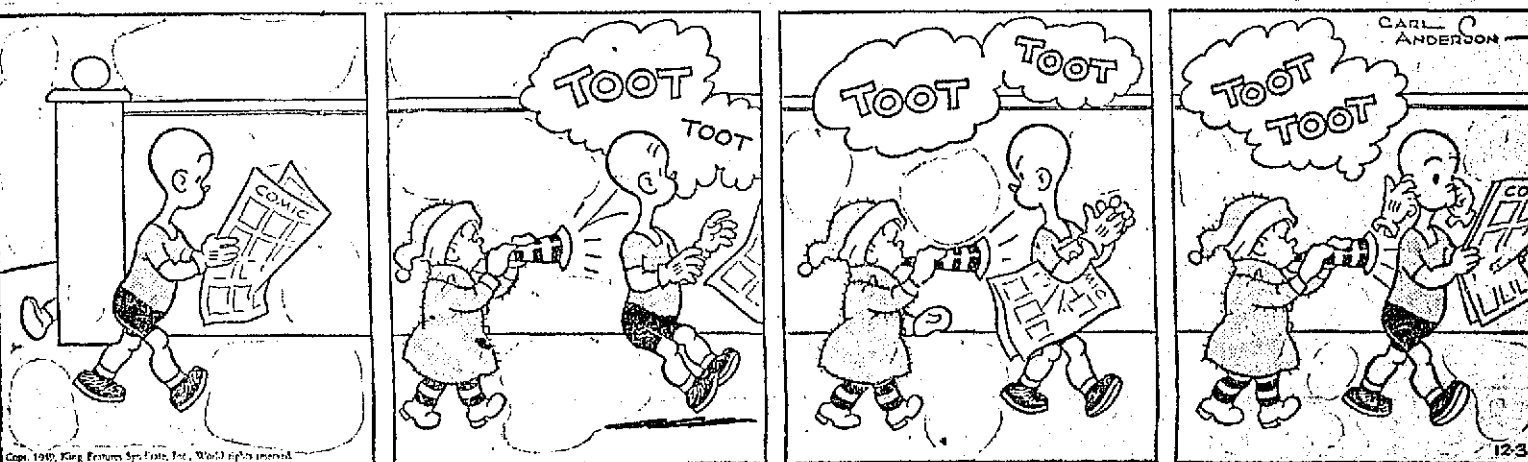
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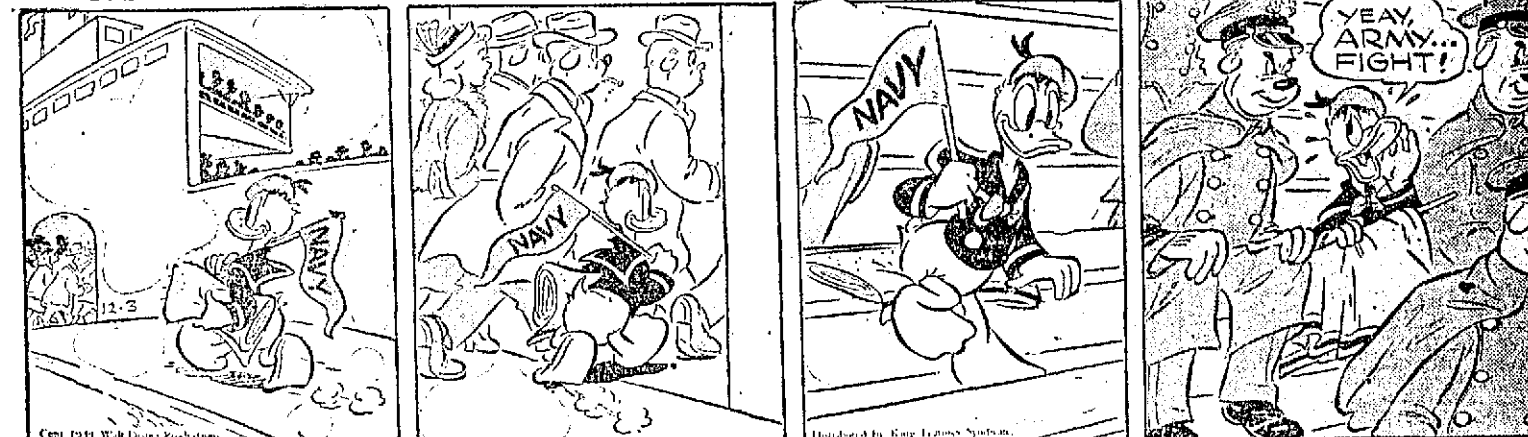
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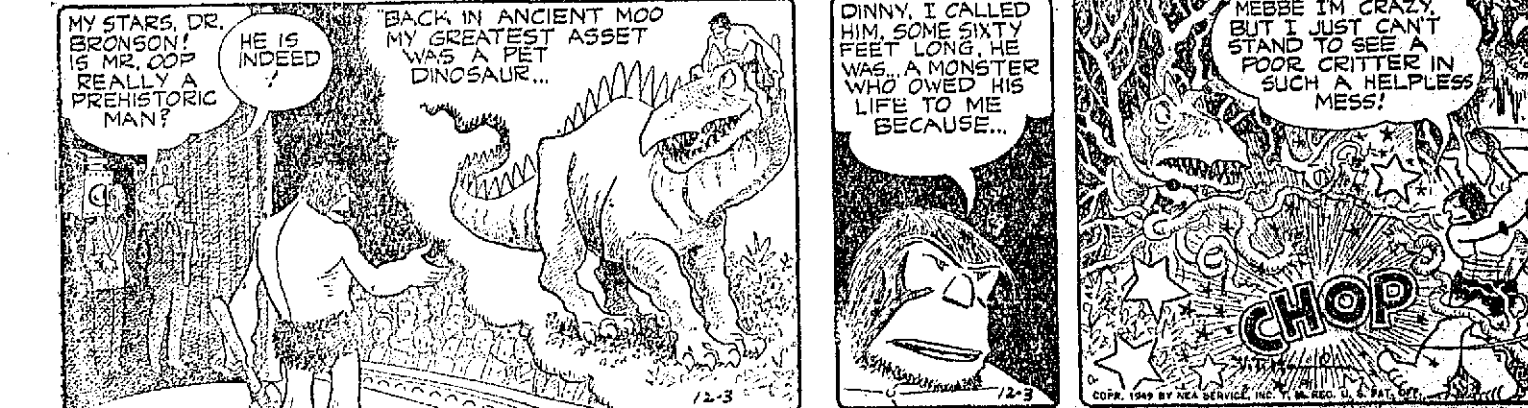
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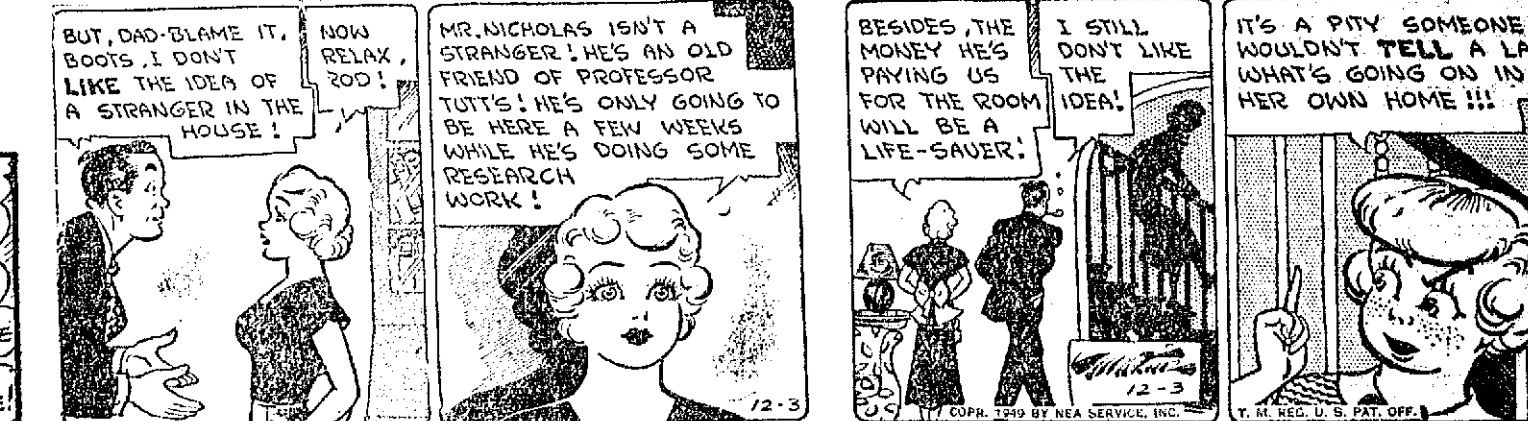
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